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WELCOME AND OPENING COMMENTS

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DR. WADE: On the line, Mike?

MR. GIBSON: Yes, Lew, I'm here.

DR. WADE: Thank you.

MS. MUNN: Oh, good. Okay. Mark's here,

Paul's here, Bob's here. This is our workgroup

on SC&A procedure reviews, and we have, as I

see it, two jobs in front of us. You have the

information that was provided from Stu

Hinnefeld giving us the full list of all of the

OTIB and Procedure numbers and topics that are

out there. You have --

MR. GRIFFON: Do we have hard copies of these

or do we have them electronically?

MS. MUNN: I think electronic copies. I didn't

make hard copies for you because we --

MR. GRIFFON: I'm sure I have them, I'm just

trying to pull them up as --

MS. MUNN: Yeah, we had all those. And that's

why I -- I sent my e-mail asking if we were all

okay, because otherwise I'd --

MR. GRIFFON: Yeah, I'm sorry.

MS. MUNN: -- have to make copies, just want to make sure.

MR. GRIFFON: No, that's fine.

MS. MUNN: And then we have the January 9th information from John Mauro to Lew that gave us the tables indicating the status of the documents that had been reviewed and had not been reviewed. And we had Kathy Behling's letter giving us the additional list of ORAU TIBs and Procedures that had not been on the original list.

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So we have the two questions. It has been suggested in our last Board meeting that we accept the asterisked Procedures in Table 2 as a part of -- to be incorporated as those that were being reviewed already by SC&A for other purposes. We need to decide whether we're going to recommend to the Board that we do accept those in that context; and decide whether the six that were listed at our last meeting as being possibilities to add are in fact the ones we want to add, or whether we want to choose some of those and some of the additional Procedures that were listed in

1	Kathy's memo as our suggestions to the Board
2	for the additional six.
3	So the first question first, do we want to
4	assume that the how many of them are there;
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6	UNIDENTIFIED: (On telephone) (Unintelligible)
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8	MS. MUNN: on Table 2 there are seven items
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10	UNIDENTIFIED: I can hear people talk.
11	MS. MUNN: I'm sorry? Hello?
12	UNIDENTIFIED: No, I'm just I'm just
13	waiting.
14	MS. MUNN: Oh, okay. There are seven with
15	asterisks there, and my personal view is that
16	we should set that issue aside for a moment to
17	decide whether those that are shown in Table 3
18	and those that are shown in Kathy's memorandum
19	would take precedence over some of the
20	Procedures that we originally agreed in Table 2
21	as being appropriate for our list of additional
22	six. Any thoughts?
23	DR. ZIEMER: All right. Wanda, if you could
24	give us just a minute, I'm trying to locate
25	Table 2, and

1	MS. MUNN: All right.
2	DR. ZIEMER: what's the date on that one?
3	MS. MUNN: January
4	DR. ZIEMER: And Mark's trying to locate Table
5	2 also.
6	MS. MUNN: January 1, memo from John to Lew.
7	That is also that same information is
8	included in the in the report, the Task III
9	report, that SC&A made on I'm sorry, I'm
10	working from hard copies here. I should go
11	back and
12	MR. GRIFFON: (Off microphone) (Unintelligible)
13	MS. MUNN: give you an opportunity to find
14	your electronic copies.
15	MR. GRIFFON: Wanda, I've got the spreadsheet
16	with all the procedures listed
17	MS. MUNN: You have the spreadsheet from Stu,
18	right?
19	MR. GRIFFON: From Stu, I think, yeah.
20	MS. MUNN: Uh-huh, yeah, and from that you gave
21	us you had indicated that there were some
22	additional things that you were interested in,
23	a letter from e-mail from Kathy gave us that
24	list, including I can read to you what
25	MR. GRIFFON: Is it real extensive yeah,

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MS. MUNN: Yeah, I can read you --

MR. GRIFFON: -- the numbers maybe? That would help.

MS. MUNN: -- you -- as a matter of fact, just let me read this entire memo aloud for the record, probably get us off on the right track. (Reading) As a follow-up to yesterday's discussion regarding selection of additional procedures for SC&A's review, I've attached John Mauro's memo to Dr. Wade which contains the list of procedures already selected by the Board for review in FY 2007, as well as a list of ORAU and OCAS guidance documents not yet reviewed by SC&A. In summary, this memo identifies (1) the 24 Procedures previously selected by the Board; (2) seven OTIBs that have already been reviewed by SC&A under our site profile Task I and our SEC Task V projects; and (3) eight additional OTIBs identified with asterisks in the attached memo that SC&A is currently reviewing as part of Tasks I or V. Based on our current budget, SC&A believes that if the Board desires we are in a position to formally review the eight

1 OTIBs identified with an asterisk, as well as 2 six additional Board-selected documents. 3 During yesterday's Board meeting I suggested 4 the following six Procedures for your 5 consideration. 6 She had suggested OTIB-36, OTIB-40, PROC-44, 7 PROC-86, and PEP-009, as well as TIB-12. 8 (Reading) Based on comments provided by Mark 9 Griffon, I have since reviewed Stu Hinnefeld's 10 complete list of ORAU Technical Information 11 Bulletins and Procedures and would also like to 12 bring to your attention the following list of 13 Procedures which should be published in early 14 2007. 15 These expecting to come out, and the question 16 is do we want to include any of those in our review: OTIB-44, Historical Evaluation of the 17 18 Film Badge Dosimetry Program at Y-12, Part 1, 19 Gamma Radiation; OTIB-45, same Historical 20 Evaluation of Y-12 Neutron Radiation; OTIB-46, 21 Historical Evaluation of Y-12 Facility Beta 22 Radiation; OTIB-60, Internal Dose 23 Reconstruction; OTIB-61, Coworker Internal 24 Dosimetry Data for Mound; 62 -- OTIB-62, 25 Internal Dosimetry Coworker Data for Los

Alamos; OTIB-63, LANL Bioassay Data Project;
OTIB-64, External Coworker Dosimetry Data for
Y-12; OTIB-65, Internal Dosimetry Coworker Data
for Lawrence Livermore; PROC-96, Initial
Quality Control of Technical Editing and Final
Quality Control of Dose Reconstruction Reports.
So question one remains. Are we all right with
the asterisked Procedures that are being done
under other tasks, to incorporate them as being
complete in terms of SC&A's work with procedure
review?

MR. PRESLEY: Wanda?

MS. MUNN: Yes.

MR. PRESLEY: If we start adding tasks, it sounds to me like that the tasks that -- that have been selected to add will -- are of SEC petitions and things like that out in the future. The stuff that we're working on right now that we've asked them to do, is that not more current stuff that if we go ahead and get this done it's going to be able to -- to get some of our SEC petitions and our site profiles complete?

MS. MUNN: It is current, and in some ways what I just read to you on that last list is more

1 current, because some of these items -- for 2 example, I'm particularly interested in OTIB-3 I don't know where that is right now, the internal dose reconstruction. 4 5 MR. PRESLEY: Right. 6 That is a kind of global procedure MS. MUNN: 7 which, from this perspective, is of 8 considerable importance. I'd like to see that 9 that is in fact viewed this year. 10 MR. PRESLEY: That's going to help all of the -11 - all of our --12 DR. WADE: Could NIOSH add to the clarification 13 here? Of the list of things anticipated in 14 '07, could you tell us which ones will be 15 completed in '07 and therefore are candidates 16 for review? 17 MR. GRIFFON: Says they're all '07. 18 MS. MUNN: Do you have that list that I just 19 read, or do you need it? 20 To the best of our knowledge, MR. HINNEFELD: 21 the items that are expected to be completed in 22 2007 will be. 23 DR. WADE: Okay. 24 MR. HINNEFELD: I have not received information 25 to the contrary that would indicate that --

1 well, we're no longer proceeding, 'cause these 2 are mainly ORAU documents that are being 3 prepared. 4 MS. MUNN: Uh-huh. 5 MR. HINNEFELD: We've not received information 6 that would indicate that they have -- have 7 changed direction on any of those that were due 8 out in early '07. 9 DR. WADE: All right. Thank you. 10 MS. MUNN: Yeah, good. 11 DR. WADE: So basically SC&A's been assigned work this year 24 of the 30 slots. You're 12 13 telling us that there's a number of things 14 you're doing that really are happening 15 independent of this task and are not limiting 16 your work on those six slots. And so the 17 question is, what do we task you for the six 18 other slots. 19 DR. MAURO: Exactly. I mean -- well, the 20 bottom line is we're waiting on six additional 21 Procedures, OTIBs, that you'd like us to 22 review; 24 already have been identified, locked 23 in, we're working on them. There are another 24 15 -- seven of the eight that we just talked

about -- we've done those. Not part of Task

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III, but they're done. And quite frankly, what we're saying is it's a freebie. In other words, we've already done them. Might as well wrap them up, put them into the right format, have them in one place, you've got them. that -- don't worry -- so therefore, 24 we're working on; 15 we basically have done, we're just going to wrap them up. So we're left with six that we have not been authorized, and the six will come from -- as we understand -either the list that are already in place up there on the web right now that we can draw from, which are quite a long list, there are -then there's a list of six that are imminent that you may -- not six, I think it might be eight -- I don't know how many there are.

MS. MUNN: There are --

DR. WADE: Ten.

MS. MUNN: -- more like ten, yeah.

DR. MAURO: So really there's quite a large number of procedures right now that you can choose from to fill in those last six, and I guess that's where we are right now.

DR. WADE: Right.

DR. ZIEMER: But John, you're suggesting that

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1 the ones with the asterisks -- there's eight of 2 those --3 DR. MAURO: What I'm recommending, suggesting, 4 is that since we've already --5 DR. ZIEMER: -- that since you're sort of 6 reviewing those for other purposes --7 DR. MAURO: We'll just put them in. 8 DR. ZIEMER: -- that -- that those should be 9 the six. Or that --10 DR. MAURO: No -- no, I'm sorry, I'm --11 DR. ZIEMER: -- that's the freebie. 12 DR. MAURO: -- I'm -- I'm not being clear. 13 DR. ZIEMER: Okay. Six plus those. 14 DR. MAURO: Yes, yes. In other words, those 15 asterisked ones -- what we're saying is we'll 16 take care of those, put them in the report, 17 they're not part of the six. We're just going 18 to put them in anyway because they've been 19 done, paid for as part of Task I and Task --20 Task V. So just for a convenience, we might as 21 well just put them in this package so that --22 so you have a complete set in one place. So 23 no, the -- what we're really looking for is a 24 new group of six out of -- not including the 25 asterisks 'cause we're going to do -- we're

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going to do those anyway. I hope that -
DR. WADE: So of the six slots, there was a

proposal of six -- OTIB-37, OTIB-40, OTIB-44 -
that was out there. And now the question has

been complicated by saying what about those

anticipated in '07; should they be considered

as candidates for those six slots.

DR. MAURO: Yes.

MS. MUNN: That's right.

DR. WADE: That's what you got?

MS. MUNN: Right. Uh-huh. And Larry?

MR. ELLIOTT: If I could, I'd like to speak to what we anticipate in '07 beyond what Stu mentioned. In my program status report for this afternoon you'll find that I mention in there there are 12 Technical Basis Documents that are currently in various stages of development. And I'm not sure that all 12 of these were captured in the list that you just read there, Wanda. Actually there are 14 total, but 12 of them are being developed by the ORAU team, two are being developed by the The 12 that ORAU have in Battelle team. development are Harshaw, Sandia National Lab, NUMEC Apollo Site, NUMEC Parks Township, Metals

1	and Controls Corp., Sandia National Laboratory
2	Livermore, West Valley, Ames Laboratory,
3	Battelle King and Jefferson Site, Peek* Street
4	Site, Extrusion Plant RMI, and GE Vallecitos.
5	And then the Battelle folks are producing two
6	Technical Basis Documents that I believe are
7	almost finished now, or if they're not
8	already signed off on. We're using one, I
9	know; the other one I think is still
10	forthcoming. Uranium Metal Technical Basis
11	Document that speaks to a large number of
12	similar processes at AWE sites
13	MS. MUNN: Oh, good.
14	MR. ELLIOTT: and Uranium Refining Technical
15	Basis Document, which does the same. So I'm
16	just not sure your work we have a we have
17	a comprehensive list of of future
18	MS. MUNN: I'm not sure whether those were on
19	Stu's list at all. And
20	MR. HINNEFELD: We excluded site profiles from
21	this list
22	MS. MUNN: Yeah.
23	MR. HINNEFELD: because site profiles would
24	be Task I.
25	DR. WADE: Right.

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1	MR. HINNEFELD: Right? Isn't that the task for
2	separate (unintelligible)
3	MS. MUNN: Yeah. And and Larry, did I
4	understand you correctly, we're going to have
5	that list from your presentation this
6	afternoon?
7	MR. ELLIOTT: Right.
8	MS. MUNN: But those
9	DR. WADE: But that would be captured under the
10	site profile review task.
11	MS. MUNN: Those are all TBDs. Right?
12	MR. ELLIOTT: They're all Technical Basis
13	Documents.
14	MS. MUNN: Right.
15	MR. ELLIOTT: Some will stand as a site
16	profile, some will stand as a chapter to a site
17	profile.
18	DR. WADE: Right.
19	MS. MUNN: Okay. Okay, good. But that's
20	that's a different task than the one we're
21	approaching here right now.
22	DR. WADE: Correct.
23	MS. MUNN: Mark?
24	MR. GRIFFON: I have just a question on on
25	these other elements that are out there that

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I'm very interested why they -- I -- I don't know that we're officially reviewing these things anywhere, things we've called tools constantly -- workbook tools, whatever they are. Sometimes they're associated with particular TIBs. I'm not sure always that's the case -- maybe I'm wrong. And the other -the other documents that I've seen which I'm --I really think that -- that -- that are critical in our review but they -- they sort of fall into a funny territory, these are these D-- DR methodologies that have been developed for different sites. And I know at Rocky Flats, which we've been around the block a few times on, there's -- there's DR methods for internal and external, which -- which is sort of a -sort of a methodol-- it really steps the dose reconstructor through how they go about doing the dose reconstructions for a given site. I think these were developed for the more com-complex sites. It --

MS. MUNN: Uh-huh.

MR. GRIFFON: -- looks like they're mostly available for the more complex sites. But they're not necessarily Procedures or TIBs.

1 think they're -- they're sort of guidance --2 guidance documents that were developed for the 3 dose reconstruction teams, and I don't even know if there's -- my understanding is that 4 5 they're not even revised. They're just kind of 6 modified as they need. They don't keep 7 revisions of them over -- over time. My -- my 8 concern here is that, you know, as we're 9 auditing cases, that a dose reconstructor is 10 using a certain DR method or template and --11 and we're not -- we don't even see that 12 template when we're reviewing the case. 13 think that's a big vacuum in what we're -- in 14 what we've looked at so far. So the -- one 15 question is the tools, are we covering all the 16 tools that we'd like to look at. And the other 17 question are these DR methods that are out 18 there. 19 MS. MUNN: Two things, before anyone says 20 anything, is someone on the line trying to say 21 something? 22 UNIDENTIFIED: Yeah, I'm just waiting to talk 23 to somebody. 24 MS. MUNN: All righty, go right ahead.

UNIDENTIFIED: Well, I just called in about

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1 this meeting you're having today at Mason. 2 MS. MUNN: Yes? 3 UNIDENTIFIED: And do we have to be there? No, you do --4 MS. MUNN: 5 UNIDENTIFIED: I'm a -- I'm a former worker at 6 Fernald and I have been denied over my cancer. 7 Oh, no, you do not have to be here. 8 What you need to do is to be on the line when 9 we are having public comment session and at 10 that time the Chair will ask whether anyone is 11 on the line who wishes to speak. At that time 12 you may identify yourself and speak. Our next 13 -- you're -- you're welcome of course to listen 14 to any of the proceedings, but we have time 15 specifically set aside for people who wish to 16 address us. 17 UNIDENTIFIED: I -- I really don't know what to 18 say to them. I mean I -- I've been denied. 19 Dr. Ziemer, when do we have our 20 first public hearing? 21 DR. ZIEMER: There's a public comment period at 22 4:30, so if you wish to comment at that time 23 you can do so. Right now we have just a 24 working group that's meeting on a specific 25 issue here, so you're welcome to listen in.

1 UNIDENTIFIED: I really don't have to do that. 2 If -- if they're -- if these people are okay, 3 the rest of us would be okay, I suppose, the 4 ones that has been denied? 5 MS. MUNN: I guess I really didn't understand 6 your question. Would you repeat it? 7 UNIDENTIFIED: Well, see, I have cancer and --8 bladder cancer and NIOSH said every-- I talked 9 to them and they sent everything in and Labor Department denied me. And -- I mean if -- I 10 11 know these people won't be okay today going to the meeting, but I really don't know what to 12 13 say to them. 14 MS. MUNN: Your best -- your -- your most 15 logical course of action is to talk with your -16 - the representative that you've been working 17 with from the Department of Labor and --18 UNIDENTIFIED: Yeah, I (unintelligible) call 19 (unintelligible) --20 MS. MUNN: -- ask them -- ask that individual 21 what your next step should be. 22 UNIDENTIFIED: Okav. 23 DR. ZIEMER: Thank you very much. 24 UNIDENTIFIED: Okay, thank you. 25 MS. MUNN: Thank you.

UNIDENTIFIED: Yeah.

MS. MUNN: Our -- the question before us was with respect to the workbooks and whether, as my perception had been, that that particular activity was covered by the dose reconstruction efforts of -- of the specific cases that we were choosing. It was my understanding that SC&A was working with the same workbooks and the same instructions when they reviewed those cases. Am I incorrect?

DR. MAURO: Not exactly. Our scope of work for the 30 procedures that we are reviewing right now and the additional six and so forth includes the workbooks. Any procedure, whether it's an OTIB or a PROC, any procedure that we are reviewing as part of our responsibilities under Task III includes reviewing any accompanying tool, workbook. So that is part and parcel to Task III, so it's being taken care of.

There are a number of workbooks that are -have been identified from previous Task III
activities that are currently also undergoing
review. So right now in -- in the oven, so to
speak, is the review of ten generic workbooks

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that we're finishing up and will be delivering that was a part of what I call last year's scope of work that carried over into this year, and that's close to completion. On top of that are all the workbooks and tools that are associated with the, quote, 30 procedures that we're currently reviewing. Of course currently we're only doing -- everything but the last six, so if there's any tool there -- now Kathy Behling is in close communication with Stu and other members to make sure that we're working with the latest version of the tool. One of the difficult problems with -- as -- as correctly pointed out by Mark, is that the tools are -- are sort of a living, evolving resource. We're doing our best to stay current with that so that when we do go through the review of a particular tool, we're using the most current version. Now Mark, you had mentioned another device that, quite frankly, I'm not familiar with that's another type of tool, and you made reference to it I think particularly with

MR. GRIFFON: Yes.

regard to Rocky Flats?

1	DR. MAURO: Is that is that correct? I
2	believe as part of the Rocky Flats process that
3	we're in the middle of right now, that's very
4	much part and parcel, the exchange and
5	interchange that's taking place during these
6	working group meetings and how particular
7	issues are being dealt with, so I but I
8	can't really answer that question.
9	MR. GRIFFON: I know, but it it it's
10	it's not
11	DR. MAURO: It's not.
12	MR. GRIFFON: I mean it's not only Rocky
13	Flats.
14	DR. MAURO: Okay.
15	MR. GRIFFON: It's Fernald has one, Mound
16	has one. You know, there's several of the
17	sites several of the bigger sites that have
18	these
19	DR. MAURO: Okay. I have to admit
20	MR. GRIFFON: these DR methods that
21	DR. MAURO: I I'm not familiar with those
22	DR methods.
23	MR. GRIFFON: Okay.
	MR. GRIFFON: Okay. DR. MAURO: Perhaps Kathy may

1	DR. MAURO: have some information.
2	MR. GRIFFON: others on your team are, and
3	they're you know, they're they're I
4	just want to know I think they're important
5	documents and either either the case review
6	they're not really Procedures, I don't
7	think, but somewhere we have to sort of make
8	sure we're capturing capturing those and
9	maybe it's (unintelligible)
10	MS. MUNN: They're certainly important
11	MR. GRIFFON: Maybe it's in the case review, I
12	don't know.
13	MS. MUNN: What's the sense of the Board? My
14	sense has been, as I said earlier, that these
15	documents were captured by the reviews that
16	were being done in the DRs. Is is that the
17	sense of the Board or do you feel we are
18	missing something significant?
19	DR. ZIEMER: I assume the question is is there
20	kind of an inherent review of of that of
21	those procedures as you do a dose
22	reconstruction review.
23	MS. MUNN: That's my question, yeah. And
24	again, I was under the impression
25	DR. ZIEMER: I don't know

MS. MUNN: -- that it was.

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DR. ZIEMER: -- are Hans or Kathy still on the

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DR. BEHLING: Yeah, I can talk and then maybe Kathy can add to it. But when we do a dose reconstruction review or audit, we actually do look at a workbook that was used. And in fact, we have found errors in the workbook. give you an example. In one of the workbooks the dose reconstruction makes use of a triangular distribution for DCFs, and they will use a minimum, a mean and a maximum. found that the minimum is an inappropriate value because it was oftentimes a DCF that corresponds to an isotropic source geometry when in fact we've all concluded at this point that a P geometry is the only means that we should accept a DCF value, so the triangular distribution should be based on a -- on the AP DCF as opposed to all geometries. That was one example where we looked at the workbook and identified an error. So I wouldn't say serendipitously, but we do make a conscious effort when we look at a workbook in saying what is the methodology that they would have

1 used had they used a hard copy document, 2 because workbooks frequently parallel a hard 3 copy document. So we do in fact look at that 4 very carefully. 5 Kathy, I don't know if you have any additional 6 comments. 7 MS. BEHLING: Yes, I do. First of all, let me 8 just go back to the workbooks that we are 9 reviewing, and I think one of Mark's questions 10 was do we look at only workbooks associated 11 with certain TIBs. Under our generic workbook 12 review, and under some of the current workbooks that we're looking at now, we're trying to look 13 14 at all of the workbooks out there. One example is the CADW workbook, which is not tied to OTIB 15 16 that I'm aware of, and so we are trying to look 17 at all workbooks used, even if they're not 18 associated with an OTIB. 19 Now -- and correct me if I'm wrong here, Mark, 20 I --21 That's good, Kathy, 'cause that MR. GRIFFON: was one of the examples I was just pulling up, 22 23 the Chronic Annual Dose Workbook, the CADW --24 MS. BEHLING: We're in the process --25 MR. GRIFFON: -- was one that I wasn't sure --

yeah, yeah.

MS. BEHLING: I'm sorry. We're in the process of reviewing that as we speak. The other -and correct me if I'm wrong here, Mark, but I believe you might be referring to some documents that I believe we talked about before called user's quides. Now as far as I'm aware, there has been only one user's guide that is actually published and available on the O drive. When -- and I agree with you, the dose reconstructors do have -- I'll call them again user's guides, but they're not published and they're not typically included even in the dose reconstruction report. There is a folder called "Reference" in that dose reconstruction report, or the dose reconstruction file that we get. However, there's typically nothing in that folder. And if the dose reconstructors are using specific guidelines, and I -- I do know they exist but they're not formally published, we -- we do not have any way of reviewing that because, number one, it's not in the folder that we get for a particular dose reconstruction report -- or audit, and they're not officially published under what is now a

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section called the user's quide. I believe there's only one user's guide, at least the 3 last time I looked. It might have been for ANL

> MR. GRIFFON: Well, there are -- there are definitely more on the O drive. I'm not sure -

MS. BEHLING: Okay.

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MR. GRIFFON: -- what folder you're looking in, but -- for that -- I mean I que-- I just -- I guess I just raised that question/concern because I think one -- one way that I think it becomes problematic for us in reviewing the cases -- maybe it's not a Procedures review question, but in looking at the cases, the DR meth-- there are different drafts of these user quides or DR methods. There's -- there's slightly different names for them. But they -they do evolve and we don't necessarily know what evolution was used when a certain case was done. So they're not available when we look in the case files and it sort of puts -- it -- it makes the audit function difficult, is what I'm saying, 'cause we don't have --

MS. BEHLING: That's correct.

MR. GRIFFON: -- we don't know what script they were following when they were doing -- and these -- these really seem to -- they're -- they're very -- fairly prescriptive, you know, set of instructions for the DR on what -- you know, a step by step sort of process to go through and what TIBs to pull on for certain types of cases, depending on -- on the individual case. So I -- I think, you know -- I'm not sure it's in the Procedures Review section, but I think we have to know this -- we're interested in this universe of things that are out there. And I don't know if Stu -- if you can speak to how many there are of these or how they're used or...

MR. HINNEFELD: Well, I don't know how many there are. I have a general sense that they instruct the dose reconstructor which choices to make if there is more than one approach that may be relevant or usable, or more than one tool that may be usable. It may be what approach to take and which to choose. I have a general sense that that's what they say.

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these instructions -- they're essentially dose reconstructor instructions, and they're disseminated in a variety of ways. It's not a normal distribution like you would give in a -it's not a normal controlled procedure type publication, but they'll be distributed at dose reconstructor meetings, for instance, or training sessions. And so you -- there will be -- if we get these, there will be a fair amount of inconsistency among them because they're -they're not trying to be prepared in a formal document sense. They're to -- to be given out, and they're given out different ways. Having said that, I've discussed this with the quys over there since I -- (unintelligible) know anything about it, and I'm a little unclear right now as to where we are in compiling them. I've talked to them about I think we're going to need to get these for exactly this reason.

MR. GRIFFON: Yeah.

MR. HINNEFELD: And so I'll have to -- have to find out. I don't know if I can find out anything this week or not, but I'll see what I can find out about -- and get back to the -- to

1	the workgroup members about that issue.
2	MR. GRIFFON: Yeah, and and this what
3	you're saying is consistent with what Mutty
4	Sharfi reported on Rocky Flats that that
5	these things are are really modified real
6	time on some of these is it Group B
7	conference calls or whatever the dose
8	reconstructor
9	MR. HINNEFELD: Right, the Group B is one
10	MR. GRIFFON: conference calls, yeah.
11	MR. HINNEFELD: group of dose reconstructors
12	yeah, Group B conference call
13	MR. GRIFFON: Where they might actually
14	MR. HINNEFELD: say here's what you should
15	do (unintelligible)
16	MR. GRIFFON: Yeah, and they may they may
17	make changes
18	MR. HINNEFELD: choose this now.
19	MR. GRIFFON: you know, to these during
20	these meetings, but they're never really
21	formally proceduralized or whatever.
22	MR. HINNEFELD: Right.
23	MR. GRIFFON: But they're very I mean I've -
24	- I've found, for Rocky Flats, they were
25	they were very (unintelligible) into what

1 why the DR would -- why the dose reconstructor 2 was doing certain things. 3 MR. HINNEFELD: They should explain why -- what 4 choices --5 MR. GRIFFON: Right. 6 MR. HINNEFELD: -- why the dose reconstructor 7 made the choices they made when they did that 8 dose reconstruction. 9 MR. GRIFFON: Right. 10 MR. HINNEFELD: That's what they should --11 that's what they should explain. 12 MR. GRIFFON: So I guess I just bring up -- as the universe of things that are out there, 13 14 that's -- that's the way I (unintelligible) --15 MS. MUNN: Yes, Paul. 16 DR. ZIEMER: Yeah, and insofar as those, in a 17 sense, do have some impact on how things are 18 done, the extent to which there's appropriate 19 consistency in instructions I think is an important issue. At some point it seems to me 20 21 -- and maybe those should be formalized, I 22 don't know -- but at some point there ought to 23 be some kind of process to kind of review that 24 and -- and independently say yeah, that was the 25 -- that's the right decision to make in this

1 kind of a case. So it seems to me that it 2 should be candidates at some point for review. 3 Maybe it's premature at this time. 4 If I could follow up, I'm wondering, for -- we have Table 2 and 3, which are the ORAU and the 5 6 OCAS documents, and --7 MS. MUNN: Yes. 8 DR. ZIEMER: -- I'm having a little trouble 9 prioritizing, myself, from titles. And I don't 10 know if either NIOSH or SC&A are in a position 11 to tell us which of those are important in 12 terms of frequency of usage or particular 13 applications. I mean if there's a procedure 14 here that's used once every 12 months or something, versus something that's -- you know, 15 16 a high frequency of use, that would be 17 important. 18 MS. MUNN: Well, of course Kathy gave us her 19 selection of six. You have those, Stu? 20 MR. HINNEFELD: Yes. 21 DR. ZIEMER: Yeah, that's basically the SC&A 22 priority, I assume --23 MS. MUNN: Yes, that's -- that's --24 DR. ZIEMER: -- and I'd like to see if we could 25 sort of get feedback from NIOSH on that and --

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MR. HINNEFELD: My comment on the six is that the -- the one OCAS PEP-009, Evaluation of the Change in Target Organs for Dose Reconstruction, I think will provide limited information that I don't -- I don't think will --

MS. MUNN: Agreed.

MR. HINNEFELD: -- help you out much because --

MS. MUNN: Yeah, I don't think so either.

MR. HINNEFELD: -- what it will describe is the -- the policy change that was made on target organs from lymphoma and how to find the cases that have to be reconsidered, the completed cases that have to be reconsidered to see if they change in light of this new target organ. And the outcome of that evaluation is not included. This just starts the process, so this is the change that was made and this is how we'll find the cases. And in that particular case, it's fairly apparent how you would find the cases. You would find all completed cases with the affected ICD-9 codes that have a probability of causation less than 50 percent. So I mean it's readily apparent. I mean I don't think you'd learn a lot than --

1 more than what I just told you if you have PEP 2 number 9. 3 MS. MUNN: Agreed. 4 MR. HINNEFELD: So that one struck, you know --5 you know, struck me as one that I -- I kind of know something about. Some of these I'm not 6 7 familiar with. Case Preparation, I don't know 8 that one. That could be very administrative, 9 or it could be very informative. 10 really know about that. That's PROC-0044 --11 or, I'm sorry, PROC-0086. 12 MS. MUNN: 86. 13 MR. HINNEFELD: That one I just don't know, it 14 could go either way. 15 MS. MUNN: It looked important. 16 MR. HINNEFELD: Internal and external coworker 17 data TIBs will -- you know, the internal will 18 have a particular look and an external will 19 have a particular look. But when you start 20 looking at several from different sites, I 21 think they're going to look pretty similar. 22 MS. MUNN: Uh-huh, agreed. 23 MR. HINNEFELD: You know, and there's not going 24 to be -- so you may keep that in mind in 25 choosing what to review. Like the external do-

- coworker dataset for Portsmouth, you know, that TIB is probably going to look like external coworker dataset for Y-12 National -- MS. MUNN: Y-12, uh-huh.

MR. HINNEFELD: -- Security Complex, which is one down below, TIB-64. So external coworker TIBs will probably look pretty similar. But I guess there is the question of what data was used to assemble it, which would have to be site-specific. So if you want to know what data was used to assemble it for Y-12 versus Paducah, you would have to look at both of those TIBs to see what the dataset was.

I'm afraid I'm not being very helpful here.

MS. MUNN: Yeah, you are actually, Stu, because those are points that needed to be made and points that I expected to be into our discussion by now. But before we go there, I want to make sure that Mark's questions with respect to the guidance documents were answered or where we are with those. I do -- had not incorporated those in any of my thinking with respect to this particular workgroup simply because, as I said earlier, working on the assumption that a significant number of them

were already being reviewed by SCA in the normal course of events for them. I could not see a point in trying to set aside yet a separate set of guidance documents or -- they're not really procedures, they're guidance documents and they're changing all the time, so it did not seem to fall in this same category of what I had interpreted our charge to be.

Are you --

MR. GRIFFON: No, I -- I --

MS. MUNN: -- satisfied with what we're doing
or do you feel we need --

MR. GRIFFON: Yeah, I -- I think my sense is that those documents are important but probably belong in the case review question, and maybe we need to figure out how -- you know, how they might be integrated in the case file so that we have so-- you know, some sense of what the DR was working from. But I don't think it's a procedures review issue. On the workbook side, I think I'm satisfied in looking through the listing I have that -- that we're either covering them in case reviews or site profile reviews or in this review, so I think we're -- think we're --

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1 MS. MUNN: So you're okay with that? 2 MR. GRIFFON: Yep. 3 DR. WADE: John, could you -- John, could you give us some idea of the criticality of -- of 4 5 time in terms of naming this next six. 6 something you need immediately or how does it 7 affect your -- your pace of work? 8 DR. MAURO: We're right now in the home stretch 9 of finishing up the review of the 24 and the 10 other seven and eight. Okay? Our plan right 11 now is to deliver to the working group and the 12 Board our work product that would address the 13 24, the seven and the eight in the spring. 14 the six additional come in let's say in May 15 instead of today or perhaps at one -- at one of 16 the conference call Board meetings, I think 17 it's -- you know, we won't deliver in April or 18 May. We'll deliver a little later. 19 certainly we will be able to deliver this 20 fiscal year, so it is not critical that we get 21 the list of six at this time. And in fact, in 22 theory, we can deliver our work product for the 23 scope that we currently have and then

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DR. MAURO: -- so I don't think it's essential.

DR. WADE: Thank you.

MS. MUNN: I'd like to propose -- at least put forward a suggestion for the workgroup to The items that we had -- the eight consider. items that were asterisked, which are already underway and, as John points out, are essentially done already, I would propose that we propose those to the full Board as acceptable and incorporate them in our list of procedure reviews. What's the sense of the workgroup in that regard? Is that acceptable? Then the next issue becomes the outstanding Stu made several good points when he was looking at this list of possibilities before When we look at OTIB-36 and 40, these are internal and external dosimetry coworker data for Portsmouth, we have done similar kinds of things with some of the asterisked data -procedures for other plants which are very similar to this. Although the plant itself obviously is different than the others, the approach undoubtedly would be parallel in many respects and may not be as productive as some

of the other things we might want to do.

PROC-44 SEC is clearly something we'll want to look at. PROC-86, the case preparation, complex internal dosimetry claims, appears to be a crucial one. Of those cases -- of -- of the procedures that have been placed before us as coming along in 2007, later on, there are several that appear really compelling. Note the first three, the OTIBs with respect to the film badge dosimetry at Y-12, all three of those are probably of interest, but they may be very similar in their approach.

MR. GRIFFON: Which ones --

MS. MUNN: It might be wise to choose one of those.

DR. ZIEMER: Which ones?

MR. GRIFFON: Which ones again?

MS. MUNN: OTIB-44, 45 and 46. They're historical evaluations of film badge dosimetry programs at Y-12. One's gamma radiation, one's neutron and one's beta. It would seem wise to have a look at how that -- those historical evaluations were undertaken, not necessarily for all three types of radiation, but certainly the film badge dosimetry program is worthy of

1 some attention, one would think. 2 OTIB-60, internal dose reconstruction, would be 3 of global interest. 4 MR. GRIFFON: (Off microphone) (Unintelligible) Perhaps 63, the LANL bioassay data 5 project, and possibly 96, quality control 6 7 technical editing and final quality control of 8 dose reconstruction projects (sic). That would 9 seem extremely interesting to us. 10 What I'm proposing is that we consider PROC-44, 11 PROC-86, as suggested by Kathy; that we 12 consider one of the OTIBs, the ORAU OTIBs for 13 the badge dosimetry program at Y-12; and the 14 last three that I just read, OTIB-60, OTIB-63 15 and PROC-96. Those are personal choices here. 16 What's the sense of the group? 17 MR. PRESLEY: Ouestion. 18 MS. MUNN: Yes. 19 MR. PRESLEY: I have a personal reason in this 20 because I'm looking at the stuff from NTS, and 21 I know that we have some OTIBs coming up, Stu, 22 that once that we -- you all finish up your 23 review, there's going to be some OTIBs out 24 there that need to be reviewed by the Board and

by SEC (sic) for completeness. If we pick six

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1 more, then are these OTIBs that are coming up 2 for NTS or Savannah River or some of these 3 other sites, will they be put on the back burner and not be looked at? 4 5 MR. HINNEFELD: Well, I mean John Mauro may want to help me out here, but my -- my 6 7 understanding would be that, for instance, in 8 the NTS case where we have an NTS site profile 9 review and the questions that are -- have 10 arisen there have given rise to these OTIBs 11 we're talking about, that that -- their review, those OTIB reviews would fall right into that 12 13 site profile review activity. And so those 14 things -- things that are written for that --15 for those reasons would be addressed through 16 the site profile review activity and would --17 we don't need to worry about keeping space for 18 them in procedure review activity. 19 MS. MUNN: Different task. 20 (Off microphone) (Unintelligible) MR. PRESLEY: 21 MS. MUNN: As long as it gets done. 22 (Off microphone) (Unintelligible) MR. PRESLEY: 23 MS. MUNN: Right. 24 MR. GRIFFON: Which is this number 86? 25 got all the other ones and I'm missing -- is it

1	a PROC or
2	MS. MUNN: 86 is case preparation, complex
3	internal dosimetry claims.
4	MR. GRIFFON: Okay. Okay.
5	MS. MUNN: The word "complex" is always
6	compelling.
7	MR. GRIFFON: Yeah, I I guess I agree with
8	that one. I I had I mean my
9	DR. ZIEMER: Hang on. That's the that's the
10	one that is an administrative procedure.
11	Right?
12	MR. GRIFFON: We're not sure. We're not
13	DR. ZIEMER: That's that's how it seems
14	MR. HINNEFELD: That's that's the one that I
15	said I don't know, I'm not familiar with. It
16	might be administrative, or it may be very
17	very fruitful. I'm not exactly sure what the -
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19	DR. ZIEMER: On the SCA chart it says it is,
20	but where did
21	UNIDENTIFIED: (Off microphone)
22	(Unintelligible)
23	DR. ZIEMER: It says NIOSH recommended not
24	reviewing since it is an administrative
25	MR. HINNEFELD: Well, I may have been the one

1 that did that, and the fact of the matter is 2 I'm just not terribly familiar with it. 3 DR. ZIEMER: Oh, okay. 4 DR. WADE: Can you find out, Stu, quickly? 5 Kathy, are you familiar with that MS. MUNN: 6 one? 7 (No response) 8 Is Kathy still with us? She's gone? 9 MS. BEHLING: I'm sorry, I didn't hear the 10 question. 11 MS. MUNN: Oh, Kathy, can -- do you have any 12 knowledge of PROC-86, case preparation, complex internal dosimetry claims? 13 14 MS. BEHLING: No, I don't, and I -- I will tell 15 you that of the six that I selected from the 16 original list that you are looking at right 17 now, that you're considering, I -- I have to 18 admit many of those we were getting down to 19 these administrative type procedures, and I was 20 struggling to pick six that I felt would be 21 really worthwhile. And that's why when the 22 suggestion was made to look at those that are 23 coming out in early 2007 -- and I will stress 24 that I tried to go through Stu's list and

select what I felt would be interesting and

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1	pertinent procedures or OTIBs that, at least
2	according to Stu's list, indicated early 2007
3	so it would be easier to incorporate them into
4	this current selection. But I am to answer
5	your question, I'm not very familiar with that
6	with with that OTIB.
7	MS. MUNN: Thank you for pulling this
8	information together, Kathy. It is helpful.
9	MS. BEHLING: I'm glad.
10	MS. MUNN: So we're operating blind on that.
11	Paul?
12	DR. ZIEMER: I'm I'm looking at the SC&A
13	chart on PROC-44, which says the review has
14	been completed, so I'm a little confused as to
15	why that's being proposed. Am I missing
16	something?
17	MS. BEHLING: I excuse me, this is Kathy
18	again. I believe that PROC-44 is I
19	(unintelligible) is the SEC
20	DR. ZIEMER: That's the SEC.
21	MS. BEHLING: Yes, and I believe that we
22	informally looked at that, and it may have
23	gotten onto the list as if it was completed,
24	but in fact and Arjun, I believe Arjun
25	may be able to help me out here, but I do not

1 believe that this was formally reviewed yet. 2 MS. MUNN: Well, it's shown on --3 DR. ZIEMER: Okay, it's --4 MS. MUNN: -- it's shown on --5 DR. ZIEMER: -- reviewed under Task V, so that's why -- so it's not a part of the formal 6 7 review process then, I guess is what you're --8 this is one of those that appears to have been 9 reviewed as a part of another task. MS. MUNN: On Table 2 it's listed as an ORAU 10 11 team document not reviewed by SC&A. 12 DR. ZIEMER: Yeah, but I'm looking at the SC&A 13 table that they gave us in September which says 14 that it was reviewed. 15 This might be in error. DR. MAURO: I have to 16 In other words, on -- I'm looking at a check. 17 Table 2 that says PROC-084 was not reviewed. 18 MS. MUNN: Was not reviewed. 19 DR. MAURO: I'd have to confirm, that might be 20 in error. We may very well have reviewed that. 21 So my apologies. We'll confirm that. 22 MS. MUNN: In any event, it appears to me it's one that does need to be reviewed. If it 23 24 hasn't already --25 DR. ZIEMER: Right, right.

1 MS. MUNN: -- been reviewed, it certainly 2 should be on the list. Yes? 3 MR. GRIFFON: Yeah, I'm -- I'm... 4 MR. PRESLEY: Can we go ahead and go with five 5 and -- and --6 MR. GRIFFON: Well --7 MR. PRESLEY: -- come back -- or has somebody 8 got one you want to put in there? 9 MR. GRIFFON: -- I got a few more questions. 10 MS. MUNN: Yes. 11 MR. GRIFFON: I mean I -- I -- I'm -- I'm 12 wondering how to parse this between site profile reviews and -- and this review. For 13 14 instance, 36 and 40 are Portsmouth. MS. MUNN: Yes. 15 16 MR. GRIFFON: And -- and I don't know that 17 we're doing a site profile review for 18 Portsmouth. That would be the only -- as 19 opposed to the three Y-12 -- we are -- I think we actually still have a Y-12 review underway. 20 21 We finished the SEC period, but we -- the broader site profile is still open, I think. 22 23 DR. MAURO: We have -- there's a confounding problem here. Whenever we're authorized to 24 25 review -- let's say Portsmouth, which we were

1 recently authorized to review.

MR. GRIFFON: Oh, you were? Okay.

Yeah.

DR. MAURO: And so automatically that's -every OTIB that accompanies Portsmouth becomes
within that envelope, so the problem we're
having is this -- we did the best -- we had to
make this list as --

MR. GRIFFON: Yeah.

MR. GRIFFON:

DR. MAURO: -- current as we can, but in the interim we've been authorized to do Portsmouth. So automatically that's covered. So in reality, we are going to get a Portsmouth review done. Of course it's not going to be -- it's going to be reviewed as part of the Portsmouth site profile review. Now it's going to be like one of the other asterisked ones.

DR. MAURO: Someplace along the line we could very readily take that Port-- that review that we do of that OTIB as part of our site profile and repackage it and get it into a deliverable. So quite frankly, I -- we're in sort of a dilemma. When you sta-- as new site profiles are authorized, effectively they're going to capture a lot of the procedures that right now

1 we have here -- not a lot, but some -- that 2 were identified as not having yet been 3 reviewed. So we're in a very dynamic 4 situation. I hope that helps. 5 MR. GRIFFON: And -- and then 44 through 46 are 6 all these Y-12 dosimetry papers, which are --7 are to be released still so I don't even know -8 - they -- they weren't in our original site 9 profile review, obviously. 10 DR. MAURO: That's correct, we did -- now we 11 are going to be engaging, even though the -- I 12 know the Y-12 SEC working group has completed its mandate, but we still have the Y-12 site 13 14 profile --15 Site profile. MR. GRIFFON: 16 DR. MAURO: -- closeout process. Now what may 17 very well happen is during that -- the working 18 group meetings on Y-12 for closeout, those 19 procedures will -- probably will emerge as 20 being responsive to perhaps some of the concerns that we have raised on the site 21 22 profile side --23 MR. GRIFFON: Right, right. 24 DR. MAURO: -- and will be reviewed, so you can 25 understand that we have a --

1 MR. GRIFFON: So that's my question, sort of 2 whether to assign them here or are we capturing 3 them in other -- you know. MS. MUNN: A large number of them obviously are 5 going to be captured in other tasks. MR. GRIFFON: Yeah, as long as we don't -- and 6 7 -- and --8 MS. MUNN: But I th--9 MR. GRIFFON: -- they won't be double doing the 10 work, so --11 MS. MUNN: No, no, it won't duplicate any 12 effort, and it appears that the really focus 13 question is what specific titles are of 14 interest to us that we want to make sure get 15 done, whether under this task or some other 16 task. 17 MR. GRIFFON: Yeah. 18 MS. MUNN: Which is why the original suggestion 19 included at least one of those historical 20 evaluation of film badge dosimetries at Y-12. 21 The others will clearly get covered, but at 22 least the workgroup will have an opportunity to 23 assure that one of them gets a little special 24 effort if we accept the proposal. 25 MR. GRIFFON: I think I'm okay with your other

1 choices. I -- I would select 45 out of those 2 three. I'd focus on the neutron one maybe 3 first -- OTIB-45, if you're going to select one 4 of them to start with this work-- with this 5 workgroup. 6 MS. MUNN: So let me summarize, if I believe I 7 have the sense of the working group correctly. 8 We agree that we will recommend to the Board 9 that the asterisked Procedures that were 10 discussed at our last Board meeting be 11 incorporated in the formal list that SC&A will 12 cover under this task. In addition, we would 13 suggest the addition of PROC-44, PROC-86, OTIB-14 45, OTIB-60, OTIB-63, PROC-96. Correct? Are 15 we all on the same page? 16 DR. ZIEMER: Yes. I'll make that recommendation to the 17 MS. MUNN: 18 Board, with your agreement. 19 Do we have any other issue that we need to take 20 up at this time? 21 DR. WADE: Well, before you go to lunch, just 22 with an eye towards the future, I think we 23 should add to the agenda of the next Board 24 meeting maybe NIOSH helping us with a 25 presentation of sort of defining the universe

1 of documents that are out there so the Board 2 can consider whether or not its varied review 3 functions really gives coverage to that universe. I think that's an issue that it 4 5 would be well to have on the Board's agenda for 6 the next meeting. 7 MR. GRIFFON: Yeah, and I do want to take up 8 the user guide questions specifically in the 9 subcommittee, so yeah. 10 MS. MUNN: Good. No other issues? Let's have 11 lunch. 12 (Whereupon, the meeting was concluded at 12:30 13 p.m.) 14 15

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